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REQUEST FOR DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL (DTSC) REVIEW OF DATA AND REPORTS RELATED THE POTENTIAL PRESENCE OF STRONTIUM-90 IN RUNKLE CANYON, SIMI VALLEY

Dear Mr. Sedell:

Thank you for your recent letter dated October 9, 2006 to Ms. Maureen Gorsen, Director of the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). This letter has been referred to me as Ms. Gorsen has recused herself from the Boeing Santa Susana Project due to her prior representation of Boeing. In your letter, you requested the Department of Toxic Substances Control conduct an independent review of data and reports related to the potential presence of strontium-90 in Runkle Canyon, Simi Valley, and to advise whether the development of the site poses a public health risk. We understand that you also made the same request to the US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and to the California Department of Health Services - Radiologic Health Branch (DHS/RHB).

Mr. Gerard Abrams of my staff spoke with Mr. John Beach of the USEPA and Mr. Gary Butner, Acting Chief of the DHS/RHB, respectively on October 26 and 27, 2006. We were told by both the USEPA and the DHS/RHB that they would be providing assistance to you in this matter. At this time, we feel it is best if you work with the USEPA and the DHS/RHB since both agencies have experts in this field.

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If you have any further questions or issues related to chemical concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at (916) 255-3574.

Sincerely,

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